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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

## Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 127

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Introduced by Assembly Member Adams

February 16, 2010

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 127—Relative to the CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 127, as amended, Adams. CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate the segment of State Highway Route 15 between its junction with State Highway Route ~~215~~ 138 and Oak Hill Road, in the ~~Counties of Riverside and~~ *County of* San Bernardino, as the CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway. The measure would request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, *to* erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, On March 9, 1973, California Highway Patrol
- 2 (CHP) Officer Larry L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County
- 3 Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart were killed in the line of
- 4 duty; and

1 WHEREAS, On that date, CHP Officer Wetterling stopped to  
2 assist a driver along the southbound side of State Highway Route  
3 15. The driver, who was a recently paroled convict, killed Officer  
4 Wetterling and stole his patrol car; and

5 WHEREAS, Having been notified that there was a paroled  
6 convict out on a killing rampage, Lieutenant Stewart answered the  
7 call and found the criminal but, unfortunately, Lieutenant Stewart  
8 was also killed; and

9 WHEREAS, CHP Officer Larry L. Wetterling, born in  
10 Monmouth, Illinois on March 9, 1942, had a childhood dream to  
11 serve as a California Highway Patrol Officer; and

12 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling graduated from San Bernardino  
13 High School in 1960 and attended San Bernardino Valley College;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling worked as an assistant manager  
16 for CarpetMasters prior to joining the California Highway Patrol  
17 on November 6, 1967, and graduated from the California Highway  
18 Patrol Academy in Sacramento on March 1, 1968; and

19 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling's first assignment was in the  
20 Riverside area until he transferred to the San Bernardino area on  
21 March 12, 1970; and

22 WHEREAS, Officer Wetterling was survived by his wife  
23 Catherine, daughter Shelly, and now deceased daughter Terri, his  
24 mother Carmen, his now deceased father Carl, his sisters Shere  
25 and Carol Ann, and many friends and coworkers; and

26 WHEREAS, Sheriff's Lieutenant Alfred E. Stewart was born  
27 in Jersey City, New Jersey, on May 24, 1933. He was the oldest  
28 of eight children; and

29 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart attended Henry Snyder High  
30 School. He left school at 16 years of age and joined the United  
31 States Marine Corps and served in the Korean War; and

32 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart met his wife, Marie Bordina,  
33 and they married in June 1952; and

34 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart was wounded in both legs in  
35 1950 and he received an honorable discharge from the Marine  
36 Corps on January 4, 1954; and

37 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart worked for Columbia Southern  
38 Chemical Corporation. While there, he held various union offices,  
39 including that of Union Local President; and

1 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart attended the Industrial Labor  
2 School for Union Officials at Saint Peter's Prep, in Jersey City;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart received an honorable discharge  
5 from the Marine Reserve as Staff Sergeant in 1965 after 14 years  
6 of service; and

7 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart joined the North Bergen Police  
8 Force in North Bergen, New Jersey, in 1960. He became a detective  
9 and was a member of the Vice Squad. In the Police Detective  
10 Bureau, he worked in criminal investigation and arrests; and

11 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart and his family moved to  
12 California in 1964, and he was hired by the San Bernardino County  
13 Sheriff's Department; and

14 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart was one of the founding  
15 members of the California ~~Narcotics~~ Narcotic Officer's Association  
16 and served as the eighth president in 1972; and

17 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Stewart was survived by his wife, Marie,  
18 two sons, Michael and Matthew, and his daughter, Marie. His son,  
19 Michael, passed away in 2007; and

20 WHEREAS, In 1973, the California ~~Narcotics~~ Narcotic Officer's  
21 Association created the Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Award to  
22 memorialize Lieutenant Stewart by honoring individual  
23 achievement of working narcotic officers; and

24 WHEREAS, After his death, Lieutenant Stewart's mother stated  
25 that he always wanted to be a Marine and a lawman; and

26 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize the sacrifice made by  
27 these peace officers for the people of California; now, therefore,  
28 be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature hereby designates the  
31 portion of State Highway Route 15 between its junction with State  
32 Highway Route ~~215~~ 138 and Oak Hill Road, in the ~~Counties of~~  
33 ~~Riverside and County of~~ San Bernardino, as the CHP Officer Larry  
34 L. Wetterling and San Bernardino County Sheriff's Lieutenant  
35 Alfred E. Stewart Memorial Highway; and be it further

36 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is hereby  
37 requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent  
38 with the signing requirements for the state highway system showing  
39 this special designation and, upon receiving donations from

- 1 nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs;
- 2 and be it further
- 3 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
- 4 of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the
- 5 author for appropriate distribution.